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In re Application of:

DIDIER VASSEUR et al.

Appl. No.: 10/656,435

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REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF ACTION

Sir:

Applicants hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of three months. A Response to the Office Action dated February 16, 2006 will be filed in the above-identified application prior to the expiration of the period of suspension.

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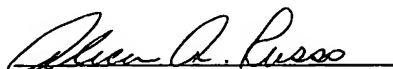
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